

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

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Claim 1 (previously amended): An oral care device, comprising:

particulate;

a toothbrush including a head and one or more bristles extending from the head;

a handle from which the head extends;

a conduit for supplying water, said particulate and pressured air to the head at the same time such that the water, particulate and pressured air can be sprayed onto the teeth from the head to enhance cleaning, wherein the handle includes a switch for controlling the flow of water, said particulate and pressured air to the head.

Claim 2 (cancelled).

Claim 3 (previously amended): The oral care device of claim 1, wherein the conduit is at least partially within the head.

Claim 4 (original): The oral care device of claim 3, wherein the conduit is at least partially within the head.

Claim 5 (original): The oral care device of claim 1, wherein the conduit is at least partially within the head.

Claim 6 (original): The oral care device of claim 1, wherein said conduit includes a flexible tube.

Claim 7 (currently amended): An oral care device, comprising:

a housing;

an electric motor within the housing;

an air compressor within the housing and operated by the motor;

a slurry;

an enclosed container, attached to the housing, for holding said slurry;

a first conduit for conducting compressed air from the compressor into the container; and

a second conduit for conducting the slurry and air from the container to an applicator from which the slurry and air is sprayed into the oral cavity of a human, the slurry and air exiting the container at a location above a surface of the slurry.

Claim 8 (original): The oral care device of claim 7, wherein the slurry includes water.

Claim 9 (original): The oral care device of claim 7, wherein the slurry includes sodium bicarbonate and sodium laurel sulfate.

Claim 10 (original): The oral care device of claim 7, further including an air ballast through

which the first conduit passes, the ballast being located between the compressor and the container.

Claim 11 (original): The oral care device of claim 10, wherein the ballast includes an adjustable valve which allows air to escape from the ballast, thereby controlling air pressure.

Claim 12 (original): The oral care device of claim 10, further including an overpressure valve attached to the first conduit which will open if the air pressure exceeds a set pressure.

Claim 13 (original): The oral care device of claim 7, wherein the slurry is a mixture of a cleaning powder and fluid in a ratio by volume of from about 1 part powder:10 parts fluid to 4 parts powder:10 parts fluid.

Claim 14 (currently amended): An oral care device, comprising:  
an electric motor;  
an air compressor operated by the motor;  
an enclosed container for holding a slurry;  
a first conduit for conducting compressed air from the compressor into the container, the compressed air being at a pressure of between about 20psi to about 50psi; and  
a second conduit for conducting the slurry and air from the container to an applicator from which the slurry and air is sprayed into the oral cavity of a human, the slurry and air exiting the container at a location above a surface of the slurry, the second conduit being at least about 24 inches in length.

Claim 15 (original): The oral care device of claim 14, wherein the compressed air is at a pressure of between about 25psi to about 45psi.

Claim 16 (original): The oral care device of claim 14, wherein the compressed air is at a pressure of between about 30psi to about 40psi.

Claim 17 (original): The oral care device of claim 14, wherein the compressed air is at a pressure of between about 32psi to about 38psi.

Claim 18 (original): The oral care device of claim 14, wherein , the second conduit is at least about 30 inches in length.

Claim 19 (original): The oral care device of claim 14, wherein , the second conduit is at least about 36 inches in length.

Claim 20 (original): The oral care device of claim 14, wherein , the second conduit is at least about 42 inches in length.

Claim 21 (original): The oral care device of claim 14, wherein the slurry is a mixture of a cleaning powder and fluid in a ratio by volume of from about 1 part powder:10 parts fluid to 4 parts powder:10 parts fluid.

Claim 22 (cancelled).

Claim 23 (original): The oral care device of claim 7, wherein the first conduit conducts compressed air from the compressor to near the bottom of the container.

Claim 24 (original): The oral care device of claim 7, wherein the slurry includes an additive selected from the group consisting of fluoride, an anti-bacterial agent, chlorhexadine, a sweetener, saccharine, a flavoring, mint, a desensitizer and triclosan.

Claim 25 (original): The oral care device of claim 14, wherein the first conduit conducts compressed air from the compressor to near the bottom of the container.

Claim 26 (previously amended): The oral care device of claim 1, wherein the toothbrush includes a supply of the water and particulate in the form of a slurry, the slurry being stored in the handle.

Claim 27 (original): The oral care device of claim 26, wherein a separate supply of water only is also stored in the handle, this water being used to clean the oral care device.

Claim 28 (original): The oral care device of claim 27, wherein the slurry is stored in a first compartment of a flexible bag, and the separate supply of water only is stored in a second compartment of the bag.

Claim 29 (original): The oral care device of claim 28, further including a tube for supplying pressured air into the handle, a free end of the tube puncturing the bag and extending into the first compartment when the bag is inserted into the handle, thus enabling the slurry to exit the bag.

Claim 30 (original): The oral care device of claim 29, further including means for moving the second compartment into contact with the free end of the tube such that the free end of the tube punctures the second compartment and enables the supply of water to exit the second compartment.